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REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3-23 are pending.

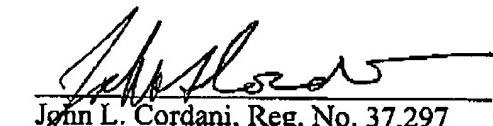
Claim 2 has been cancelled.

Claims 1, 3, 6, 9 and 11 have been amended.

In the Office action mailed on December 9, 2004 the Examiner indicated the allowability of claims 2-23. In response claim 2 has been cancelled since it was a dependent claim and claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of allowable claim 2.

It is believed that this application is currently in a condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly sought. If the Examiner perceives of any reason why immediate allowance should not be given she is requested to contact the undersigned for a telephone interview prior to issuance of the next office action.

Respectfully Submitted



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